

TWOME W 666"

2014 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY PINOT NOIR

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our 2014 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir speaks of this classic growing region while being bold and powerful, yet elegant and nuanced. This rich red wine has the expected strength and deep purple fruit characterized by this lush valley, and there is a refinement, a thread of perfumed spice woven into the bouquet. This wine has a color reminiscent of the black-skinned Santa Rosa Plums native to this region. The breadth and attack is balanced by the plush fruit and the tactile acidity on the palate. There are elements of sassafras, dark caramel, and cinnamon overlaid on a base of juicy raspberry, sweet pine syrup, and wet, humus-rich soil. Warm flavors of spicy Indian cuisine or the sweet and savory elements of your favorite BBQ sauce promise to pair well with our Russian River Valley Pinot Noir.

NOTES FROM THE VINEYARD

2014 was a unique vintage with ample ripeness achieved at a remarkably early date. The mild spring was followed by a warm, dry summer leaving us with grapes ready to pick in mid-August. It was the earliest harvest Twomey has ever enjoyed; a season where the weather allowed the fruit to develop steadily without heat spikes. The Russian River Valley AVA in Sonoma County is a diverse growing region. The Twomey vineyards span from the warmer Middlereach, just southwest of Healdsburg to the cool, fog-laden area in the western coastal hills between Sebastopol, Forestville and Occidental. Although harvest was very early, the February budbreak ensured a long growing season, which resulted in grapes of great density and depth of color that made a remarkable 2014 Twomey Russian River Valley Pinot Noir.

VINEYARDS:

Last Stop Vineyard

Estate Owned, Sustainably Farmed

Westpin Vineyard

Estate Owned, Sustainably Farmed

Bailey Vineyard

Sustainably Farmed

HARVEST DATES:

August 22-September 15, 2014

ALCOHOL: 13.8%

AVERAGE BRIX:

23.6

BARREL AGING:

14 months

BARRELS:

100% French Oak, 25% new

RELEASE DATE:

May 1, 2016